



hl
5-13-99
Amdt
Le/A

PATENT
EXPRESS: EJ074819322US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: LeMaire III, et. al.

Art Unit: 3731

S/N: 09/0160,090

Examiner: Ngo, L.

Filed: 1/30/98

Docket: Mmed01

Title: Surgical Instrument with Offset Jaw Actuator

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box Fee Amendment
Washington, D.C. 20231

RECEIVED

APR 06 1999

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 3700

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Official Action, dated 11/25/98.

AMENDMENT

Applicant's attorney wishes to make note that the Applicant's name is incorrectly spelled in the Office Action and is correctly spelled "LeMaire". Applicant's attorney will file for a corrected filing receipt.

In the Specification

On page 7, line 26 after, "The lower surface 186 has" delete "as".

On page 8, line 8, "when" should be capitalized as ~~When~~.

On page 8 line 29, replace "1984" with ~~184~~.

Claims

Cancel claims 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18, 19.